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World renowned photographer Monty Nagler will be the juror for the 6th Annual Artist's Exhibition at the Three Cities Art Club show at Westland City Hall.

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School millage information forums set

Members of the Romulus Community School District Board of Education have approved two ballot issues for the Nov. 7 vote.

School officials recently sent a letter to area voters explaining the ballot questions and the reasoning behind the request.

According to the district letter, the "Hold Harmless" levy authorization will not increase taxes over the amount property owners paid last year. The Hold Harmless millage asks for approval of a maximum levy of 2.5 mills - while the previously authorized levy was more than twice that, at 5.1314 mills. Last year, officials said, Romulus Community Schools levied only 1.3137 mills, which is the expected continued result should voters approve the request.

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The "Sinking Fund", currently at .75 mills, would increase to 3 mills if approved by voters. This would be an increase of 2.25 mills above the amount currently assessed. This increase is critical to maintaining district buildings and facilities, school officials said. Nearly $20 million in repairs have been identified in district buildings and are necessary to ensure students are in a safe, productive learning environment. Those repairs include: major roofing, parking lot, plumbing, and window repairs; replacement of fire suppression systems in all buildings; technology upgrades and infrastructure improvements; major building maintenance repairs and repair to football/soccer/track area. Estimates to fully repair are between $500,000 and $1 million.

Due to a recent safety inspection, the football stadium will close at the end of this season if necessary repairs and not completed.

In response to claims of district funding from the Wayne County Enhancement Millage, officials said that much incorrect information was being circulated.

"This county-wide millage, collected by Wayne County RESA, was approved by voters across the county in 2016. The city collected $1,633,016 for the county to distribute to school districts on a per-pupil basis. The Romulus Community School District received $998,949, most

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Photo by Don Howard

'Every Second Counts'

Local fire departments host open houses this week

Westland is among the several area communities participating in Fire Prevention week Oct. 8 - 14 and Mayor William R. Wild is encouraging all Westland households to develop a home evacuation plan and practice it. A home escape plan includes working smoke alarms on every level of the home, in every bedroom, and near all sleeping areas. It also includes two ways out of every room, usually a door and a window, with a clear path to an outside meeting place, like a tree, light pole, or mailbox that's a safe distance from the home.

This year's Fire Prevention Week theme, "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out!" works to better educate the public about the critical importance of developing a home escape plan and practicing it, Wild said. The Westland Fire Department is working in coordination with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), the official sponsor of the Fire Prevention Week for more than 90 years, to reinforce those potentially life-saving messages

In a typical home fire, occupants may have as little as one to two minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. That's why home escape planning is so critical in a fire situation. It ensures that everyone in the household knows how to use that small window of time wisely, noted Westland Fire Chief Michael Stradtner.

"Developing and practicing a home escape plan is like building muscle memory," said Stradtner. "That preplanning is what everyone will draw upon to snap into action and escape as quickly as possible in the event of a fire."

"Home escape planning is one of the most basic but fundamental elements of home fire safety, and can truly make the difference between life and death in a fire situation," said Lorraine Carli, National Fire Protection Agency vice president of outreach and

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Write-in candidate joins race in Plymouth

There are now five candidates seeking the four open seats on the Plymouth City Commission.

Dave Latawiec has declared himself as a write-in candidate for one of the expiring terms on the commission. He will face incumbent commissioners Dan Dalton and Oliver Wolcott along with candidates Ed Krol and Nicholas Moroz. Those four would have assumed the available terms prior to Latwiec's entry into the race.

Voters will make their choice in the general election set for Nov. 7. The top three candidates based on vote totals will serve four-year commission terms and the next highest vote getter will serve a two-year term. Current commissioners include Suzi Deal, Colleen Pobur and Mike Wright.

Both Mayor Dan Dwyer and Commissioner Joseph Valenti opted not to seek re-election to the commission this year.

Latawiec, a first-time commission candidate, currently serves on the Plymouth Historical Museum Board of Directors and is a past-president and active member of the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth. He has been a Plymouth resident for about seven years. He and his wife, Kelly, have five children and 10 grandchildren.

Grants fund improvements to Westland parks

Six major Westland parks are slated for large scale recreational improvements, thanks in part to funding assistance by the State of Michigan and Wayne County.

State Rep. Robert Kosowski announced last month that he had secured a $300,000 grant from that State of Michigan for funding of park improvements at Voss Park on the east side of Westland. Westland City Council members have also approved an intergovernmental agreement with Wayne County to utilize parks millage funding from fiscal years 2015-2017 in the amount of $101,050 for park improvements.

> *The City of Westland has recently begun a comprehensive makeover of the city's parks and recreation assets*

Parks scheduled to be improved include Voss Park at 30600 Palmer Road will have two of the existing four baseball fields converted into four new Little League football practice fields equipped with an equipment storage garage, new spectator bleachers and park signage. The remaining two baseball fields will receive new fencing, foul poles, dugouts, bleachers and updated lighting. The existing basketball court will be removed and re-sited on the south end of the park. All parking lots will also be repaved. This project is being funded by the $300,000 grant Kosowski has secured from the State of Michigan.

Also set for improvements is Jaycee Park at 6200 N. Wildwood where the parking lot will be repaved and new baseball diamond fencing will be installed at all three baseball diamonds and will include new dugouts, benches, foul poles and safety capping along the outfield fencing. This project was funded with $83,399 of the millage allocation along with $14,068 from the city capital outlay fund.

Work has already begun on this project.

Rotary Park at 601 Hanlon Ave. will see recreational improvements this year with the removal and replacement of the current baseball fencing, dugouts and foul poles. The project will be funded with $55,964 from the capital

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INKSTER - ROMULUS

New foundation dedicated to helping kids

A charitable foundation designed to help children in the Romulus area is picking up steam.

The JORY Foundation, started by Romulus resident Robert McLachlan, has hosted a few fundraisers and quietly made an impact on the lives of children in the community.

"It's been a big dream of mine to start a foundation and give back to the community," said McLachlan, who is also a member of the Romulus Community Schools Board of Education. "We were blessed with being able to provide food, shelter, clothing and educational opportunities for my two sons-not every family has that."

The JORY Foundation seeks to help youth who are either financially or socially disadvantaged. The foundation is named after McLachlan's sons, Jonathon and Rory. It was founded in 2015, but health issues slowed his efforts for the first year. Even so, McLachlan said he has contributed funds to help children attend field trips through the YMCA, provided instruments for children at Wick and Hale Creek elementary schools in Romulus and, most recently, paid for a refurbished clarinet so a sixth grader could take the band class she wanted.

> *We can distribute funds directly without any administrative costs.*

"We do all kinds of little small stuff," said McLachlan, who added that the small size of the organization helps in that way. "We can distribute funds directly without any administrative costs. We have no administrative costs, so everything goes back to the community."

The foundation is putting on a free anti-bullying and suicide prevention seminar from 7-9 p.m. Oct. 24 at Romulus High School. The event, sponsored by the Romulus police and fire departments as well as the Wayne County Community College District - Ted Scott Campus and Skateland West, will feature Cheryl Jones, founder of LifeCycle Family Counseling. Her speech will focus on how to identify struggling young people and what can be done to help them.

McLachlan is also planning the next fundraiser for the organization, a dueling piano show that will take place Nov. 18 at the Taylor Democratic Club on Wick Road.

He said he's happy with the way things have gone so far, and is looking for additional corporate sponsors so the foundation can expand its reach in the community.

"It's been a good rollout; I feel good about it," he said. "I just hope it's successful. The communities need to work together."

For more, visit jorykids.org.

Inkster Legends holiday raffle tickets on sale

It may still be September, but the Inkster Legends are already planning their Annual Christmas Giveaway.

The annual raffle funds holiday groceries and gifts for 100 less fortunate Inkster families.

"We just completed our 20th anniversary of the Inkster Legends Free Basketball Camp last month and now the stage is set for our next event," noted Director Fred Smiley.

This year the annual raffle will include a grand prize of two tickets to see the Houston Rockets vs. the Detroit Pistons at Little Caesars Arena Jan. 6, 2018. First prize is a weekend stay at the Sheraton Hotel with breakfast and second prize will be four tickets to The Henry Ford museum. Third prize is a birthday party blast for 15 people at the Romulus Athletic Center and fourth prize is two racks of lamb from Fairway meats in Detroit. Fifth prize is a one-day weekend stay at the Marriott Hotel and sixth prize is a Garmin GPS Navigation system. Seventh, eighth and ninth prizes are dinner for two at Urban Soul, dinner for two at They Say and dinner for two at Red Lobster. Bonus prize this year is a $25 gift certificate at Famous Ford Garage restaurant in Dearborn and the bonus grand prize is a family package for four people to see the world-famous Harlem Globetrotters at Little Caesars Arena.

Tickets for the raffle of all these prizes is a $10 donation and winners need not be present to win, Smiley said. "All proceeds from the raffle go to the Christmas Giveaway."

The drawing for the raffle will take place at 6 p.m. Dec. 13 at the Sheraton Hotel in Romulus.

"This fundraiser will really help in our efforts to provide 100 families in Inkster with a great Christmas," Smiley said. "We also accept donations and to donate or for more information go to www.inksterlegends.com and click on contact us."

For raffle tickets contact Smiley at (734) 890-2478, Daniel Orr (313) 715-6700 or Larry Spencer (313) 520-8144.

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of which was allocated to purchasing 17 buses and some security improvements. These funds are not part of our regular budget, as we, as a community, have no control over the continuation of this levy once the original levy expires," officials said in a prepared statement..

Superintendent of Schools Marjie McAnally said she is always happy to hear from parents and resident and that the district financial information, which is audited annually by independent auditing firms, is available at www.romulus.net. McAnally encouraged visitors to click on the Millage Information icon and watch the informative presentation.

Town Hall meetings regarding the millage questions are planned for 5:30 p.m. Oct. 18 at Halecreek Elementary School; at 9 a.m. and again at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19 at Romulus High School; at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24 at Wick Elementary School; at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1 at Barth Elementary and at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 2 at Romulus Elementary School.

MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 25, 2017

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Linda Choate, Harry Crout, Sylvia Makowski, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
Stacy Paige, Treasurer

1. Moved by **Crout** seconded by **Roscoe** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

17-303 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on September 11, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

3. Petitioner:

(3A) City Planner, Carol Maise, explained that the revisions to the zoning amendments were minor changes.
(3B) Rasaq Gbadamosi, from AFRA Consulting, gave a power point presentation.

17-304 3A. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Makowski** to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the first reading of the proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendments to Article 8, Industrial Districts and Article 11, Use Standards. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-305 3B. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the rezoning request for RZ-2017-004; City Event Centre to rezone 4.78 acres of property located at 37451 Ecorse Road, DP# 80-025-99-0001-000 from O-1, Office District, to C-2, General Business District. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

4. Chairperson's Report:

Councilman Wadsworth thanked everyone who contributed to the Animal Shelter Bingo Fundraiser.

17-306 4A. Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Makowski** to recognize Pastor Woolridge on his 96th birthday. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

4. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Choate** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burcroff commented that the Pumpkin Festival's 20th anniversary celebration was a huge success and thanked everyone who was involved with the festivities. The mayor also provided a video of upcoming city events.

17-307 5A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Makowski** to concur with the administration and award Bid ITB 17/18-06 for a two-year contract for pavement marking services for the DPW to the lowest responsive and most responsible bidder, RS Contracting, Inc. Terms of the contract to expire on September 30, 2019. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-308 5B. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution designating Roberto Scappaticci, DPW Director, as the representative for the City of Romulus for the purposes of the SAW Grant Agreements **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-309 5C. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Abdo** to concur with the administration and authorize the revision of the City's Fixed Asset policy criteria to state as follows: "a fixed asset must have a value of at least $3,000.00 and have a useful life of more than one year (and is not inventory)". **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-310 5D. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Crout** to concur with the administration to recognize the reimbursement for work completed by DPW staff at the Hunt/Bibbins site from CDBG and recognize the additional overtime costs associated with this project.

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
General Fund				
Revenues				
101-000-682.000	Reimbursements	2,000.00	7,000.00	9,000.00
Expenditures:				
101-265-710.000	Building & Grounds - Overtime	10,000.00	7,000.00	17,000.00

To recognize the reimbursement for work completed by DPW staff at the Hunt/Bibbins site from CDBG and recognize the additional overtime costs associated with this project. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6A. Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg announced that the close of registration for the November, 2017 Election is October 10, 2017. She also informed that the absentee ballots will be mailed out starting October 5th and 6th.

17-311 6A1. Moved by **Choate,** seconded by **Makowski** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-8, Community Development Block Grant – which was introduced at the Council meeting of September 11, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6B. Treasurer's Report:

City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, announced that tax bills are due on October 2, 2017.

7. Public Comment:

A resident commented about a sign that is blocking the view at a busy traffic area. A resident spoke about Sunoco having right-of-way on her property. A displaced resident, who lost everything in a fire at the Barrington Apartments, asked if there is any way she can enter the apartment building to search for personal items. A resident reported that there is a piece of metal sticking out from the side of the laundromat building on Wayne Road; and, that she witnessed a child running into the protruding metal and suffering a cut to the head. The resident asked that someone from the City take a look at the building before anyone else gets hurt. Gina Wilson-Steward, editor of the Telegram Newspaper, asked for an explanation of 5D on the agenda. A resident asked about paying taxes at Rite-Aid kiosks.

8. Unfinished Business:

Mayor Burcroff informed that the City did not approve the placement of the sign that was blocking the view of traffic. The mayor commented that the right-of-way (Sunoco) is regulated by the state. Mayor Burcroff assured that he will do everything he possibly can to help the resident of the Barrington Apartments to locate personal belongings. In answer to the question regarding 5D on the agenda, Mayor Burcroff explained that the budget amendment was a reimbursement for work done by the Department of Public Works.

9. New Business: None.

10. Communication: None.

17-312 11. Moved by **Choate,** seconded by **Crout** to pay Warrant 17-18 in the amount of 1,100,661.00. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** – None. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

12. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Makowski** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on September 25, 2017.

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CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID

ITB 17/18-11 Official Publications-Newspaper

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for the above item/items and/or services.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Official bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (http://www.mitn.info/). Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies.
(2) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN system. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form: supplied in the bid documents.
(3) A total of two copies (one marked "Original" and one marked "Copy") of the bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope and returned to the **City Clerk's Office** no later than 2:30 P.M., Thursday, **11/2/2017**. Bids should be addressed using the bid package label provided in the ITB documents.
(4) At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids will be publicly opened and read.
(5) The successful Bidder will be required to submit proof of all bonds and insurance required by the ITB documents and copies of all required endorsements.
(6) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received and to award the bid in whole or in part.
(7) For additional information contact Gary Harris, City of Romulus, Purchasing Department Buyer, by calling (734) 955-4561 or by emailing gharris@romulusgov.com.

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DETROIT REGION AEROTROPOLIS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION STATE OF MICHIGAN

PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OF THE DETROIT REGION AEROTROPOLIS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE DETROIT REGION AEROTROPOLIS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REGION:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Executive Committee of the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Development Corporation, Michigan, will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, the 25th day of October, 2017, at 3:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time in the Detroit Region Aerotropolis offices located at 11895 S. Wayne Rd, Suite 101A, Romulus, Michigan, to consider the adoption of a resolution approving a Tax Increment Finance and Development Plan (the "Plan") for the Local Development Finance Authority of the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Development Corporation pursuant to Act 281 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1986, as amended.

The property to which the Plan applies is located near the southern intersection of Ecorse and Henry Ruff Road, in the City of Romulus, as described more fully in the proposed Plan.

Copies of the proposed Plan, maps, etc. are on file at the office of the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Development Corporation for inspection during regular business hours.

At the public hearing, all interested persons desiring to address the Executive Committee shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the approval of Plan. All aspects of the Plan will be open for discussion at the public hearing.

FURTHER INFORMATION may be obtained by calling the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Development Corporation at 734-992-2286.

This notice is given by order of the Executive Committee of the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Development Corporation, State of Michigan, pursuant to Section 4 of Act 281 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1986, as amended.

Wendy Sutton
Secretary

BELLEVILLE - CANTON

Annual Halloween Parade planned at Summit

Little super heroes, fairy princesses, and other ghouls and goblins are invited to Canton Leisure Services annual Trick or Treat Parade from 5-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27.

The event will take place inside the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway, in Canton.

Children of all ages are encouraged to attend this family-friendly event in costume and follow the not-so-scary trail from room to room, each filled with special surprises and little goodies. Parade participants will enjoy seeing the Summit all decked out for this spooktacular event. Younger trick-or-treaters will enjoy the trail, as it passes a variety of themed-stations which will allow them to visit with family-friendly characters, including: Beauty and the Beast; Dora and Nemo; American Gladiators; Moana from the Polynesian islands; characters from Toy Story and Dr. Seuss, plus some favorite Disney villains.

For those who dare, a spooky Haunted House will be available in the Summit gymnasium, although organizers warn that is scarier than ever. This interactive experience may be too intense for small children, they cautioned.

Tickets will only be sold in advance of the event until Oct. 26. the cost is $5 per child for Summit on the Park members and $6 per child for Canton residents. From Oct. 16-26, non-resident tickets will be available for $10 per child. A limited number of tickets for designated timeslots will be available for purchase at the Summit Front Desk, located at 46000 Summit Parkway; while supplies last. Please note that all ticket sales will end at 10 p.m. Oct. 26.

Children of all ages planning to trick or treat and collect goodies during the event must have a ticket/collection bag. Proof of residency will be required to purchase tickets and there is a 10-ticket limit per person.

"Canton's Trick or Treat Parade continues to be one of the most popular events that we host each year," said Laura Mortier, recreation specialist for Canton Leisure Services. "We are so proud of this great family event that is perfect for children of all ages. There's even a 'spookier experience' for the older kids inside our special Haunted House, where they'll have plenty of chances for chills and thrills if they dare to stroll through our gymnasium."

This year's sponsors include: Atchinson Ford, Drs. Nolan and Guest Orthodontics, The Goddard School of Early Childhood Development, High Velocity Sports Center, PPG Paints, Pro Martial Arts, and American 1 Credit Union. This year's trick or treat bag is sponsored by Bright Side Dental. Additional supporters of this annual Canton tradition include Arctic Edge Ice Arena and D&M Art Studio.

Parents are responsible for the direct supervision of their children during this special event which offers great photo opportunities, orgainizers said.

For more information call (734) 394-5460 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

Winterfest lighted parade entries accepted

Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive in the Belleville area during a lighted parade during the Winter Fest celebration Dec. 2.

Entries for the parade are now being accepted at the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, 248 Main St., Belleville, 48111.

Rules for parade entries require that the vehicle must be decorated with working lights. Vehicles with headlights that remain should cover them during participation as headlights distract other participants and judges. Music, however, is welcomed.

Each entry will be evaluated based on theme and use of lights. A minimum of 1000 lights is suggested. Any color or clear lights are acceptable.

The Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to reject any entry that is not in good taste, inappropriate, or not in the best interest of the parade. All entries should be properly identified with signs or banners with the name of the organization so spectators and the announcer can identify the entry.

Only one powered vehicle per entry will be permitted.

Equestrian and animal units must provide their own accompanying clean up personnel and equipment. Those will a vehicle, or carriage, with must have lights on it to go through the parade

All parade participants are required to conduct themselves in such a manner as not to infringe on the rights of those people living along the parade route.

No Santas or Mrs. Claus, please, as the "real" Santa and Mrs. Claus have been invited to join the event.

The parade will step off from Belleville High School at 6 p.m.

All participants in walking entries must carry lights or have a trailer pulling them with lights on it. Walkers could have flashlights or pins that light up on their clothing.

All generators for floats should be hidden from sight and confined to a small area to eliminate noise. The individual operating the float should determine where that would be.

Santa Claus will be at the First United Methodist Church after the parade to greet the children and hand out stockings.

Line up for parade participants will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Davis Street behind Belleville High School.

For more information, or an entry form, contact the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce at (734) 697-7151.

Mutt walk to aid shelter

A costumed Monster Mutt Walk is planned from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21 in downtown Belleville.

The event is being organized by the Belleville Central Business Community in partnership with Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue. The event will take place on the city sidewalks and only Fourth Street will be closed for the event.

Registration will begin at 1 p.m. on Fourth Street next to the Belleville Area Museum. The fee to enter a dog is $10 plus a can of dog food and advance registration is encouraged, organizers said.

The walk will start of Fourth Street and travel right onto Charles, left on Roys, right onto High Street and right on Main back to Fourth Street. Medals will be awarded to first, second and third place winners in three categories: Scariest, Cutest and Best Mutt and Family. For the Mutt and Family category, the dog's family must also be dressed in costumes.

Also on hand for visitors will be the Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue Kissing Booth. For $1, visitors can enjoy a "poochie kiss."

Spectators are welcome and do not need four-footed friends to attend.

Applications for entry are available at www.bellevillecbc.or or call (734)558-5368 after 3:30 p.m. for more information.

The event sponsor is Applebees.

CITY OF WESTLAND
SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
MTG. 19 10/2/17

Presiding: President Godbout
Present: Cicirelli Bryant, Coleman, Hammons, Herzberg, Johnson, Kehrer
168: Minutes of regular meeting held 9/18/17.
- Minutes of study session held 9/18/17.
- Harbor Freight Tent Sale, 34600 Warren Rd. 10/13-15.
- MDA Fill-the-Boot Drive, Wayne & Ford Rds. 10/18-20.
- Purchase Agrmnt. w/DTE for installation of 5 street lights on Lacy Dr.
- Contract Amendment w/MI Fence Outlet for fencing project at Jaycee & Voss Park(s).
169: Appr. Atty recommendation re. Young vs. City of Westland.
170: Conf. re-appt. of K. Sharp to Westland Planning Commission for 3 yr. term to exp. 8/20/20.
171: Appr. checklist: $30,794,503.96.
Mtg. adj. at 8:19 p.m.

James Godbout
Council President
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Richard LeBlanc
City Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, October 24, 2017, at 7 p.m. in the First Floor Meeting Room at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton Michigan as part of its regular meeting.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request from Kingfa Science and Technology (USA), Inc., for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for property at their facility located at 47440 Michigan Avenue within the Canton Business Center Industrial Development District, the legal description of which is as follows:

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – October 3, 2017

A regular study session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak (arrived 6:06 p.m.), Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Faas, Engineering Services Manager – Bill Serchak, Public Works Manager – Bob Belair Staff Absent: Director Hohenberger, Director Meier, Director Trumbull Guests: Bernard Parker III (Wayne County Executive's Office) Elmeka Steele (Interim Deputy Director - Wayne County DPS Environmental Group) Stacy Hissong (Outside Legal Counsel for DPS) Rodney Velez (Outside Engineering Consultant for DPS) Chris Mattson (Outside Engineering Consultant for DPS) **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Anthony, supported by Foster to amend the agenda to add Item 0 – Set Public Hearing Date for Kingfa Science and Technology USA, Industrial Exemption Certificate. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 0:** Set Public Hearing Date for Kingfa Science and Technology USA, Industrial Exemption Certificate. (Supv) Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to set the public hearing for October 24, 2017, to consider the Industrial Facilities Exemption application of Kingfa Science and Technology, USA for real property on Michigan Avenue. **STUDY SESSION: TOPIC 1: County Drains and Assessments (MSD)** Municipal Services Director, Tim Faas, along with the Wayne County DPS Representatives, presented a PowerPoint of Wayne County Drains and Assessments within Canton Township. Copies of the PowerPoint presentation and documents distributed at the meeting are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours, or by contacting the Secretary to the Clerk at 734-394-5120. The audience was informed of the process to handle repairs/maintenance of existing drains and how residents can get involved. Resident Bob Cieslak, 42203 Greenwood, commented on the maintenance and conditions of the Willow Creek and his property bordering it. It was explained to Mr. Cieslak to complete the paperwork to begin the process for Wayne County review. Resident Vanwinkle, 42137 Tonquish Ct, questioned the definition of an "easement". Mr. Vanwinkle also commented on the conditions of the property surrounding the drain that borders his condominium complex. Resident Trame, 42206 Trotwood Ct, commented on the conditions of Willow Creek and the process of getting repairs done on this drain Resident James Pappas, 42253 Hanford, commented on the conditions of a drain near his home and his attempts to get it repaired. Resident Carl Fansel, 42133 Greenwood, commented on the condition of the Willow Creek and how to get large items removed that have been disposed of in the drain. Resident Susan Munn, 7282 Green Meadow, asked how to compile the petitions. Ms. Steele agreed to get that information to Ms. Munn. Ms. Steele agreed to get the information to her local drain managers to check out various drains in the township. More information regarding petitioning drains is available at: https://www.waynecounty.com/doe/countydrains.htm or by calling 313-224-3620. Trustee Graham-Hudak inquired how the township can make sure development in the future does not add to the drain problems. Mr. Velez explained the permitting process through Wayne County requires all the reviews and recommendations for drainage be considered before a permit is issued. Director Faas explained the township works closely with the county to ensure proper drainage of a new development. Treasurer Slavens questioned the calculation method to determine the cost of the drain assessments. Mr. Velez explained the code is vague but there are several items that are taken into consideration, including parcel size. Trustee Foster asked if there is a list of drains within the township and who has jurisdiction over each of them. Ms. Steele explained on the list of 42, provided the board at this meeting, all are the jurisdiction of Wayne County. Trustee Sneideman asked if the board would be faced with decisions, in the near future, regarding drains. Director Faas explained there is nothing currently pending. Supervisor Williams explained they are looking for qualified members for the Board of Determination. Trustee Anthony asked what is the make-up of the Drain Commission. Ms. Steele explained Wayne County Drain Commission consists of a Drain Commissioner, who has jurisdiction over some drains; while other drains are under the jurisdiction of a drainage board. This is defined by the drain code. Most of the drains in Canton are under the jurisdiction of the Drain Commissioner. Trustee Anthony asked how many projects the drain commission has worked on in 2016-2017 and how much they cost. Mr. Velez explained the most recent project in Wayne County had a cost of about $800,000. Trustee Anthony asked how the recent reconfiguration of drains and assessments has affected the county budget and how the monies have been spent. Clerk Siegrist asked when new development is presented to the township board how is the additional flow of water that development will cause determined. Director Faas explained the runoff is determined by how much runoff the property produced prior to development and that new development is held to this standard. Supervisor Williams explained the 2019 budget will be effected by drains and the board will be asked to look at this and make financial decisions. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** Trustee Foster reminded the board the Roads Task Force will be meeting on Thursday evening, October 5th in the boardroom. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Siegrist to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. _____**Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk** _____**Pat Williams, Supervisor**

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours or be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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Wayne - Wayne

Football fun

John Glenn High School students collected more than $2,000 for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation with their Powderpuff football game Oct. 4. The John Glenn cheerleaders faced off against each other on the field for a game while the members of the John Glenn football team cheered for them from the sidelines. The school marching band provided halftime entertainment at the event.

Booo!

Voting for scarecrows under way

More than 55 scarecrows fill the streets of Wayne this year during the 5th Annual Scarecrow Show.

The straw sculptures were hung by volunteers from Wayne Main Street and Wayne Memorial High School Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) earlier this month. Each scarecrow has been designed by an individual, family, community group or business and one will have the honor of being named the online voting contest winner and another will be designated as the people's choice contest winner. The winners will be awarded a small prize sponsored by Kurt's Caps and be featured on the registration form next year along with having bragging rights.

The scarecrow with the most "likes" on the Wayne Main Street Facebook page in the 2017 album will be the online contest champion.

The People's Choice winner will be chosen during a reception and voting from 3-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19 at Derby's Alley, 35005 West Michigan Ave. in Wayne. Voting will take place during the evening and complimentary refreshments will be served.

The people's choice winner will be announced at the event.

For more information, call Wayne Main Street at (734) 629-6822.

Art exhibit entries sought

Local artist and world renowned photographer Monty Nagler has taken on another art-world challenge.

Nagler has agreed to act as the juror and judge for the 6th Annual Artist's Exhibition art show at the Three Cities Art Club exhibition at the Westland Gallery at Westland City Hall. Nagler, who is also a writer, lecturer and teacher of photography, holds a master's degree from the University of Michigan. He became a car designer and product planner in the automotive industry before turning his creative energy to photography. His passion and drive for photography were greatly enhanced after an intensive workshop with Ansel Adams in Yosemite National Park.

Nagler conducts classes and seminars throughout the world and he has written a popular newspaper column and is the author of six highly successful photography books. Frequently, he is called upon to jury competitions and to speak on photography topics on local radio and television stations.

Approximately 65 pieces will be selected from the entries to be included in the exhibition. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place plus two honorable mention prize winners in two categories - photography and all others. Mayor William Wild will once again select his favorite piece for his personal $100 "Wild About Art Award".

A reception is planned from 4:30 until 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7 when many of the artists will be available to talk with attendees. Winning artists will receive their awards at about 6 p.m. There is no charge to attend the exhibition or the reception.

Artwork will be accepted for the show through Wednesday, Nov. 15. Original fine art including oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, collage, mixed media, etc. and photography are eligible. Art should be delivered Nov. 28 to the Westland Gallery at city hall located at 36300 Warren Road (west of Westland Shopping Center) for jurors to make selections for inclusion in the exhibition and judging for prizes. Full details are included on the entry form that can be downloaded at www.threecitiesartclub.org.

To learn more about entering artwork in the exhibition, attending the event or about Three Cities Art Club, contact Marilyn Meredith at (313) 231-3939 or via e-mail at marilynmeredith@wowway.com or the club website at www.threecitiesartclub.org.

Parks

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improvement fund.

Stottlemeyer Park at 4801 Dancy Blvd. will have some amenities modernized along with repairs for walking paths and the repaving of the existing tennis and basketball courts. The Wayne County millage funding will allocate $17,561 to be used to complete this project, with an additional $68,368 coming from the city capital improvement fund.

Cayley Park at 33982 Grand Traverse is scheduled to have a new basketball court installed. Funding for this project is being provided by a Community Development Block Grant in the amount of $45,000.

Lincoln Field at 33800 Grand Traverse has also received a $100,000 grant from the state which will be applied toward a walking path, pavilion and parking lot repaving services.

"We are excited to have the opportunity to revitalize a major portion of the city's parks portfolio at a time where experts are encouraging parents to keep their children active," commented Mayor William R. Wild.

"The City of Westland has recently begun a comprehensive makeover of the city's parks and recreation assets and we appreciate the leadership of Rep. Kosowski and Wayne County CEO Warren Evans along with Commissioners Anderson and Hadious at the state and county level to help make these projects possible," he added.

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59. Auctions

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On October 17, 2017 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

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2005 PONTIAC G6
1G2ZH528154131118
1996 CHEVROLET CAPRICE
1G1BL52W4TR134775
2003 TOYOTA CAMRY
4T1BE32K23U718488
2000 CHEVROLET BLAZER
1GNDT13W2YK129718
2003 GMC ENVOY
1GKES16SX36221996
1994 BUICK CENTURY
1G4AG55M6R6465039
2005 DODGE CARAVAN
2D4GP44L35R390453
2000 BUICK REGAL
1G4WB52KY1116277
1999 FORD CROWN VICTORIA
2FAFP73W3XX242247
2001 FORD TAURUS
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*All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

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1GMDX03E94D131779
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3FA6P0H74ER123062
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1FAFP24136G144720
2002 KIA SPECTRA
KNAFB121925151597
2007 DODGE CALIBER
1F3HB48B87D544602
2000 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA
3VWSA29M1YM136828
2002 PONTIAC AZTEK
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1997 FORD THUNDERBIRD
1FALP6246VH139723
1994 FORD CROWN VICTORIA
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Northville - Plymouth

Holiday Home Tour tickets now available

Tickets are now on sale for the 2017 Northville Holiday Home Tour, presented by the Northville Community Foundation. This year, the home tour will take place from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17 and Saturday, Nov. 18.

"This event is a great way to get new decorating ideas for your home while also getting into the holiday spirit," said Jessica Striegle, executive director of the Northville Community Foundation.

The Holiday Home Tour will feature tours of five beautiful, privately-owned Northville homes that have been decorated top to bottom for the holidays. The style of each home is different and there truly is something for every taste, Striegle said. The homes this year range from a traditional condominium to a home with industrial chic flavor.

"One outstanding home is just loaded with unique artist-made accessories, another has recently undergone a complete custom renovation of the first and second floors. Holiday décor this year is from Pear-Aphernalia, Williams Sonoma, Gardenviews, and others," she added.

The 2017 Holiday Home Tour will also feature a refreshment stop at the Tipping Point Theatre in downtown Northville. Guests can enjoy light refreshments courtesy of the Northville Meijer, and also enter to win two tickets to a future Tipping Point Theatre production.

Tickets for the 2017 Holiday Home Tour are $25 in advance and $30 the day of the tour. To purchase tickets in advance, visit Pear-Aphernalia, Gardenviews, Haven of Northville, or the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Tickets may also be purchased online by visiting www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org/holidayhometour or by calling (248)374-0200. Tickets are limited and the tour does sell out nearly every year.

Proceeds from the Holiday Home Tour help fund the work of the Northville Community Foundation in the community. Since 1997, the Northville Community Foundation has annually made grants to support nonprofit organizations serving the community, awarded scholarships to local students, organized and executed the Northville Independence Day Parade, and, since 2003, operated Maybury Farm, a working farm with a mission to connect the community to animals and agriculture through hands-on experiences that are both engaging and educational. The Northville Community Foundation, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Hats for Homeless under way

The Hats for the Homeless drive, an effort of the Plymouth Community United Way, is now under way.

The effort to collect new and handmade coats, hats, gloves, scarves and blankets will continue through Dec. 29. The items will be delivered to agencies in Plymouth, Canton, and western Wayne and will then be distributed to the homeless and low-income community on behalf of United Way donors.

Items can be dropped at the Plymouth Community United Way office from 7:45 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 7:45 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. on Friday.

Last year, Plymouth and Canton area residents contributed more than 2,065 warm winter items to the effort.

Businesses or groups interested in hosting a drive on-site or those wishing to sponsor items like coats or blankets should contact Randi Williams at (734) 453-6879, ext. 5.

Star Wars Reads Library hosts annual tribute to movie

For the fourth year, the Plymouth Library will participate in Star Wars Reads Day from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14.

The library will join other libraries, schools and bookstores around the world in the global event. Attendees will find Star Wars characters, collectibles, posters, decorations and more throughout the library. All are encouraged to dress as a favorite Star Wars character and enjoy the free activities, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Plymouth District Library.

The day will include face painting by Face Flair on the library lower level. The lower level Storytime room will house games, trivia, raffle and prizes for children ages 3-12. Star Wars video gaming will take place in the Teen Zone at the library, appropriate for all ages.

The library will have Star Wars snacks in the main level meeting rooms while the Star Wars Do-It-Yourself display will be available in the main level meeting rooms.

A photo booth will be located inside the front door to the library and The Friends of the Library will host a Star Wars used book sale.

For more information, contact the library at (734) 453-0750, ext 4 or go to plymouthlibrary.org

The library is located at 223 South Main St. in downtown Plymouth.

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Calendar of events

$25,000 raffle under way

Tickets for the second annual Northville Educational Foundation $25,000 Cash For College Raffle are now available.

Tickets are priced at $50 each, or three for $100. Proceeds from the raffle benefit the Northville Educational Foundation and the 7,300 students in the district. If ticket sales total less than $50,000, the prize will revert to a 50/50 drawing with a minimum of a $1000 prize.

The drawing will take place at about 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17, at downtown the Northville Tree Lighting Ceremony in the Town Square just after the Holiday Lighted Parade. Ticket holders need not be present to win.

Tickets will be sold until the start of the parade Nov. 17, or until all 1500 tickets are sold, whichever comes first). Purchasers must be 18 or older.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.SupportNEF.org or in person at the Northville Educational Foundation office at 501 West Main St. in Northville.

League of Women Voters plans auction

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County will host the annual auction beginning with viewing at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Alexander Blue House at Greenmead Historical Park, 20501 Newburg Road, Livonia. The auction is open to the public and there is no cover charge. Items to be auctioned include local business gift certificates, holiday and household items, jewelry, homemade baked goods and event tickets. The auction starts at 11:30 and continues until 1:30.

Proceeds from the auction will be used to fund League non-partisan election activities including candidate forums and voter guides. The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. It never supports or opposes any candidate or political party. For more information, call (734)-421-4420.

Maybury corn maze is open

The annual corn maze is now open at Maybury Farm in Northville. The maze is 10-acres of corn cut into a farm scene to challenge adults and children. The maze takes about an hour and a half to complete. Those who find all 10 checkpoints can enter to win a grand prize awarded at the end of the season. Following the challenge of the corn maze, visitors can enjoy cider and donuts from Parmenter's, along with other tasty treats. The Maybury Farm Corn Maze is open from 5-10 p.m. Fridays, from noon until 10 p.m. Saturdays and from noon until 7 p.m. on Sundays.The last wagon leaves for the maze one hour prior to close.

The Corn Maze will be open through Oct. 29. Admission to the Maybury Farm corn maze is $7 per person and includes farm admission and a wagon ride to and from the maze. Free admission is offered to children ages 2 and younger.

Maybury Farm is operated by the Northville Community Foundation; the funds raised from the corn maze are used to help support the work of the farm, and their mission of connecting the community to animals and agriculture through hands-on experiences that are both engaging and educational.

Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile Road in Northville. Parking is free. To learn more about autumn activities at the farm, visit www.mayburyfarm.org.

Firefighters open 'Pumpkin Patch'

Plymouth Township firefighters from Local 1496 are selling pumpkins to generate funds for their local charity. Each year the firefighters work with charities like the Salvation Army and local schools to pinpoint area families in need. One hundred percent of the proceeds are for charity.

The pumpkin sale will continue through Halloween. Pumpkin Patches are set up at Fire Station 1, located at 9911 N. Haggerty Road and Fire Station 3 at 13600 Beck Road in Plymouth. Firefighters ask visitors to park in the rear of Station 3 and in Township Hall lot behind Fire Station 1.

Donations from $2 to $12 are accepted for cornstalks and pumpkins that range in size from small to large.

For further information contact Pete Bukis, (734) 637-6108.

Pumpkin Festival planned

The 4th Annual Great Pumpkin Festival will take place from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Oct. 14 at Maybury Farm in Northville. The event features live music, food, pumpkin-themed games and activities for children, beeswax candle making, story time and sing-a-long, and more activities.

Children of all ages are encouraged to wear their Halloween attire to enter the costume contest

Admission to the Great Pumpkin Festival is $5 per person and includes farm admission or, for $8 per person guests can enjoy the festival, corn maze with wagon ride, and farm admission. Children 2 and younger are admitted to the Great Pumpkin Festival at no cost.

Maybury Farm is operated by the Northville Community Foundation. Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile Road in Northville. Parking is free. To learn more about autumn activities at the farm, visit www.mayburyfarm.org.

Special pet vaccinations planned

The City of Westland is hosting a special pet vaccination day from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14 at the Wayne Ford Civic League, located at 1661 N. Wayne Road.

The first 250 dogs will receive vaccinations for only $10 ($89 value).

Proof of Westland residency will be required. This event is available for dogs only. Westland Veterans will proper I.D. will receive the vaccination services free of charge.

Library hosts Chess Club

The Romulus Public Library will host a Chess Club meeting from noon until 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14. All ages are welcome at the free event and no registration is necessary.

Chess boards will be provided, but players can bring their own. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This is not an instructional program but experienced players are welcome to help those new to the game.

Light refreshments will be serviced. The program is hosted in partnership with the City of Romulus Recreation Department.

The Library is located at 11121 Wayne Road. For more information, call (734) 942-7589 or visit www.romuluslibrary.org.

Beers aid scholarships

Wayne County Community College will host Western Wayne Taste & Taps, a fundraiser for the college scholarship fund from 1-5 p.m. Oct. 14 at the Ted Scott Campus in Belleville.

Area restaurants will provide taste-sized food samples which can be purchased with food-tasting tickets available for purchase while those 21 and older sample regional craft beers. The beer tasting fee is $20 and included a souvenir glass, t-shirt and 10 tasting tokens.

Live musical entertainment will be provided by RJ Spangler performing Detroit jazz and blues from 2-3:30 p.m. There will also be an animal magic show at 3:30 and Abrakadoodle will instruct young visitors in arts and crafts.

All proceeds from the food and beer tasting will benefit the college scholarship fund.

The event is open to the public. For more information, call (734) 699-7008.

The Ted Scott Campus is located at 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville.

Candy donations sought

Downtown Belleville will once again be hosting a Trick or Treat event from 5-7 pm on Tuesday, Oct. 31.

Individuals or merchants who would like to participate in this great family event via the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce can do so by providing a bag of candy which will be passed out to all the ghosts and goblins. Last year, volunteers distributed out candy to approximately 1,000 children during the event.

Those who provide a candy donation and all sponsors will be listed on an insert with all candy passed out that evening.

Drop off all wrapped candy at the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce by Monday, Oct. 23 so that bags of treats can be assembled for distribution on Oct. 31.

Call (734) 697-7151 for more information.

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Financial Fitness to be topic

A group of banking and debt counseling experts will offer advice during a Financial Fitness Day event planned from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14 at the Booker T. Dozier Complex, 2015 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

Experts will discus credit scores; preventing home foreclosure, senior and veteran grant opportunities, credit repair, budgeting and savings, banking and finance experts and down payment and closing cost assistance.

A continental breakfast will be served and there will be a free gas card giveaway and a raffle of a Samsung tablet.

Seating is limited and participants can register on Eventbrite.

Bullying Hurts walk set

PRO Martial Arts of Canton will sponsor the second annual "Bullying Hurts" 5k Walk from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15 at Heritage Park in Canton. The walk is an observance of National Bullying Prevention Month.

Last year, Devon Bhatt, a 12-year-old PRO Martial Arts student, created the walk because he didn't like the way people were treating each other at his school and wanted to do something to make a difference.

Any donation will allow participants to walk.

All proceeds go to International Bullying Prevention Association based in Troy. This event is open to the public, and everyone is encouraged to attend, bring friends and spread the word. For more information, call (734) 459-4000 or access canton@promartialarts.com, www.promartialarts.com/canton

Senior Book Club meets

The Senior Book Club will meet at the Romulus Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 17. The books this month are Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee and The Heart is a Lonely Hunter by Carson McCullers.

The books are available at the Romulus Public Library. The event is free and all adults 55 and older are welcome to join.

Safety

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advocacy.

Area fire safety officials offered additional tips and recommendations for developing and practicing a home escape plan: Draw a map of the home with all members of the household, marking two exits from each room and a path to the outside from each exit; practice your home fire drill twice a year. Conduct one at night and one during the day with everyone in your home, and practice using different ways out; teach children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them; make sure the number of your home is clearly marked and easy for the fire department to find; close doors behind you as you leave - this may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire; once you get outside, stay outside. Never go back inside a burning building.

In recognition of Fire Prevention Week, the Canton Township, Plymouth Township and Northville Township fire departments will host open houses.

In Plymouth, the open house will take place from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14. Visitors can learn how to use a fire extinguisher, view fire safety demonstrations, meet Sparky the Fire Dog, and more. Refreshments will be served.

The Open House will take place at Plymouth Township Fire Station No. 1, 9911 North Haggerty Road and at Fire Station #3 at 13600 Beck Road.

In Northville, the fire station at 45745 Six Mile Road will be open from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Tours and giveaways are planned and there will be a helicopter landing and a Jaws of Life demonstration along with smoke house practice training.

The Canton Fire Department Fire Station open house is set from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at Fire Station No. #1, located at 1100 S. Canton Center Road. The event will include vehicle displays, station tours, and the opportunity for children to spray water from a fire hose and try on fire gear. Hot dogs, beverages and giveaways will be provided. The department Fire Safety House will also be open.

For further information contact the Canton Fire Department office at (734) 394-5455.

All the open house events are free and open to the public.

To learn more about the Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out" and home escape planning, visit firepreventionweek.org.

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